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TO: Will Reid
Assistant Chief Engineer of Operations

FROM: Brad Freeze, Director of Traffic Operations


SUBJECT: **Proprietary Item Request and Justification**
Town of Smyrna

Traffic Signal Vehicle Detection: The Town of Smyrna is requesting that Wavetronix radar traffic signal vehicle detection equipment be used in all signalization projects within the Town over the next three years where Federal and/or State funding are used. The following are justification items for this request:

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The Town of Smyrna staff has been trained properly to install, operate, maintain, and troubleshoot the Wavetronix detection system. This knowledge allows the technicians to quickly diagnose problems with field units which reduces the time required to maintain the system overall and helps keep the system operational during heavy traffic times to ensure maximum capacity of the synchronized system. By utilizing these devices as the standard for the Town of Smyrna, there will be a cost savings in stocking replacement equipment which will result in faster and less costly repair.

I, Brad Freeze, Director of the Traffic Operations Division of the Tennessee Department of Transportation, do hereby certify that in accordance with the requirements of 23 CFR 635.411(a) (2) that the patented or proprietary items listed above are essential for the synchronization of existing facilities.


Assistant Chief Engineer of Operations


Date



December 5, 2018

Traffic Operations Division
James K. Polk Building, 18th Floor
505 Deaderick St., Nashville, TN 37243

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Thomas M. Rose", is written over the printed name.

Thomas M. Rose
Director of Public Works – Town of Smyrna